REMARKS

As indicated in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, claims 26-46 were not elected in response to the restriction requirement dated November 28, 2005. Accordingly, these claims are canceled herein. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application as to the non-elected claims. All other pending claims are directed to the invention elected by applicant. Accordingly, it is believed that the present response fully addresses the issues raised in the Notice. Favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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